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Docket No.: 13232 US2 (C038435/0176191)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Dirk KOSTREWA *et al.*) Examiner: Tekchand Saidha
Serial No.: 10/776,104) Art Unit: 1652
Filed: February 11, 2004)
For: MODIFIED PHYTASES)

New York, New York
May 27, 2005

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION INCLUDING AMENDMENT
AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed February 10, 2005, which set a three-month shortened statutory period for response. A one-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action is hereby requested. Accordingly, this response is filed timely upon mailing, with an executed certificate of mailing, on or before June 10, 2005. 37 CFR §§ 1.8 and 1.136. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$120.00 to cover the fee for the extension of time. 37 CFR § 1.17. Please charge any required fees not otherwise paid by check to Deposit Account No. 02-4467. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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Amendment Dated: May 27, 2005
Reply to Office Action of: February 10, 2005

Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification: None.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this Response, and contain a complete listing of the claims as required.

Amendments to the Drawings: None.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this Response.